

General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 6663

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Referred to Committee on Program Review and Investigations

Introduced by: (PRI)

AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM REVIEW AND INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE RELATIVE TO LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (Effective from passage) (a) The Commissioner of Public
- 2 Health and the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall
- 3 develop a plan to improve the emergency response capacity of towns,
- 4 cities and boroughs served by part-time health departments through
- 5 (1) the direct provision of additional resources to such part-time local
- 6 health departments, or (2) the creation of additional full-time district
- 7 departments of health.
- 8 (b) Not later than January 1, 2006, the Commissioner of Public
- 9 Health shall submit the plan developed under subsection (a) of this
- 10 section to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly
- 11 having cognizance of matters relating to public health.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1 from passage New section

Statement of Purpose:

To require the development of a plan to improve the emergency response capacity of areas currently served by part-time health departments.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]